

Engagement & Outreach: Changing Roles of EAS Librarians

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THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA


University Libraries

- **New & expanded roles**
- **Subject Specialist → Liaison Librarian**
- **Traditional & digital library services**
- **Work independently & collaboratively**
- **Continuous learning**

Challenges (for both U of A and ASU)

- **High Demand for new subject expertise/language skills**
 - **Limited resources and assistance for long-term and/or high impact projects**
 - **Diverse instructional/research needs**
 - **High demand for leadership, collaboration, and communication skills**
 - **Transition to Digital Content**
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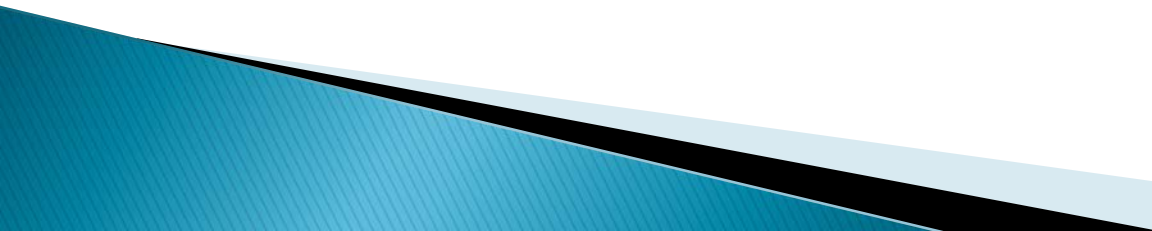
Next Steps

- **Collaborative initiatives between the two state universities**
 - **Seeking creative approaches at librarian level & at library level**
 - **Sharing state universities' language/subject expertise to better support library users**
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Arizona State University

(ASU)

New & Expanded Roles

- ▶ **East Asian Studies Librarian**
 - ▶ **Knowledge Team Leader** of Humanities fields
 - ▶ **Liaison Librarian/Generalist** at Social Science Division
 - ▶ **Curator** for both print and digital resources
 - ▶ **Affiliated Faculty** of interdisciplinary schools
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“Chinese Immigrants in Cuba” Digital Database

- ▶ Total visitors to the collection since Sept. 2013 is 5,215.

❖ Top Ten Location of Visitors by Country

1. United States
2. Hong Kong
3. Canada
4. Spain
5. Australia
6. United Kingdom
7. Cuba
8. China
9. Germany
10. Peru

❖ Top Ten Location of Visitors by City

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| 1. Tempe | AZ, USA |
| 2. Catalina Foothills | AZ, USA |
| 3. Phoenix | AZ, USA |
| 4. Hong Kong | China |
| 5. Middletown | CT, USA |
| 6. Chandler | AZ, USA |
| 7. New York | NY, USA |
| 8. Havana | Cuba |
| 9. Albuquerque | NM, USA |
| 10. Lafayette | LA, USA |

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❖ Chinese Lottery Case Proceedings	12,686
❖ Exhibition book	10,133
❖ Application Documents for Naturalization	5,784



Collaborative Endeavors at Various Levels



Lecture Friday, February 15th, 2019
1:30-3:00 p.m.
Noble Library, First Floor;
Instruction Room 105
Exhibit February 14th - 20th
Noble Library, First and Second Floor

ASU Library
Arizona State University



Learn
librarian

SILC Information sessions
open to all SILC faculty,
students, instructors and staff.*

- Meet ASU's key curators & librarians.
- Find out about new & upgraded library services;
- Review new resources on global area studies & classical literature & history;
- Satisfy research & curriculum needs with collections & integrated library instruction

Wednesday, November 14, 2018
12:00pm - 1:00pm
LL 65

RSVP to meeting invitation
&/or sign up in LL 440
before noon Nov. 12 to reserve
your lunch

*NOTE: Special East Asian Studies
session will be held November 28



- ▶ Organizing Workshops for Interdisciplinary schools
- ▶ Hosting personal exhibit and lecture of famous photographic artist
- ▶ Participating the international exhibition and digital project on "Angnes Smedley Collection"

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Thank you!

Any questions or comments?

